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Statement of Assessors.

Valuation.

Resident valuation, real estate,	\$ 90,025 00
Resident valuation, personal estate,	23,765 00
Non-resident valuation, real estate,	122,157 00
Non-resident valuation, personal estate,	2,575 00
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Total valuation in 1898,	\$238,522 00
Valuation in 1897,	233,282 00
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Increase during the year,	\$5,240 00

Number of polls, 150 at \$3, \$450.
Rate \$20.40 on \$1,000.

Amount Raised and Assessed.

For defraying town charges,	\$1,000 00
common schools,	402 40
repairs of school house,	200 00
text books,	100 00
roads and bridges,	1,000 00
Schoodic street,	700 00
Schoodic street bridge, Lower Harbor,	300 00

For sidewalks,	300 00
Free High school,	150 00
driving hearse,	20 00

\$4,172 40

For State tax,	\$646 79
County tax,	332 88
overlay,	163 77
fractional gain,	08

\$1,143 52

Total amount of money assessed, \$5,315 92

(Signed,)

F. R. BUNKER,	} Assessors.
JAMES M. GERRISH.	
H. E. TRACY,	

Report of Selectmen.

Contingent Fund.

To unexpended balance last year,	\$ 108 26
amount raised this year,	1,000 00
overlay raised,	163 77
fractional gain,	08
received by treasurer for licenses,	29 00
refunded 1897 dog tax,	10 46

\$1,311 57

By F. R. Bunker for services as selectman,	\$ 87 36
J. M. Gerrish for services as selectman,	60 00
H. E. Tracy for services as selectman,	58 00
C. E. Pendleton for services as treasurer,	56 99
C. E. Pendleton for services as 1897 collector,	11 31
C. E. Pendleton for services as 1898 collector,	113 15
Ernest Rice for services as supervisor,	25 00
J. W. Wescott for services as town clerk,	17 55
J. M. Gerrish for services as harbor master,	10 00
B. F. Sumner for services as health officer,	3 40
C. E. Smith for services as truant officer,	5 00
C. C. Larrabee for registering births and deaths,	2 50
A. J. Gerrish for services as moderator,	3 00
P. H. Joy for hall rent,	9 00
W. H. Sherman for printing town report,	16 10
A. W. Havey for type writing,	3 00
Loring, Short & Harmon for town books,	13 17
Newell White for printing,	2 08
O. W. Tapley for town seal,	50

By B. E. Tracy for services and ex-
penses,

	14 00	
J. W. Bunker on note and interest,	250 00	
Bar Harbor printing,	4 00	
E. C. Hammond for team,	1 50	
H. R. Weston, ballot clerk and labor,	4 15	
A. J. Gerrish, ballot clerk and labor,	2 00	
discount on taxes paid before July 1,	139 77	
abatements on 1897 taxes,	15 25	
T. R. Hammond for town plan,	25 00	
H. E. Tracy by vote of town,	17 00	
John Mathison for keeping tramp,	1 25	
C. E. Pendleton for revenue and postage stamps,	2 00	

\$973 03

Unexpended balance,

\$338 54

Hearse Fund.

To balance unexpended,	\$10 50	
Appropriation,	20 00	

\$30 50

By John Hancock for care and driving,

22 00

Unexpended balance,

\$8 50

Summary of Accounts.

Contingent fund unexpended,		\$338 54
Poor fund overdrawn,	\$222 96	
Road fund unexpended, general highway,		10 67
Road fund unexpended, Schoodic street,		6 31
Road fund unexpended, Schoodic street bridge,		90 20
Road fund unexpended, sidewalks,		164 26
Common school fund unexpended,		57 26
Book and repair fund unexpended,		27 14
Hearse fund unexpended,		8 50
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	\$222 96	\$702 88

Financial Standing,

RESOURCES.

Balance in treasury,	\$100 03	
Due from sale of taxes, 1895 and 1896,	4 12	
Due from collector, 1898,	649 80	
Due from State, High school,	90 00	
	<hr/>	\$843 95

Liabilities.

BILLS PAYABLE.

Balance of loan of \$1,000, payable \$200 annually with interest at 5 per cent. procured in 1897 to pay Gouldsboro in settlement of her claim, \$800.

F. R. BUNKER,	} Selectmen.
JAMES M. GERRISH,	
H. E. TRACY,	

Report of Overseers of Poor.

The town did not raise any money at the last annual meeting for the support of the poor. But there remained an unexpended balance of \$207.41, which under any ordinary circumstances might have been enough.

During the summer we were notified by the overseers of the poor of Gouldsboro, that Isaiah Grover was not able to take care of himself, being sick and unable to help himself. We did not think this town responsible, and took counsel of B. E. Tracy Esq. He gave his opinion that we were liable. Still it did not appear so to us, and A. W. King Esq.'s opinion was called for, and he gave the same opinion. Yet we were not fully satisfied, and took counsel of J. A. Peters Jr., Esq., and he, after looking up the act of division gave the same opinion which was to the effect that he had not resided in Gouldsboro five years previous to his falling into distress, and although he had been away from Winter Harbor many years he had not gained his residence in any other town in this state to the knowledge of the overseers of the poor of this town. We therefore assumed the responsibility. The prospect now seems to be that he will be able to reimburse this town.

Unexpended balance from last year,	\$207 41
Paid Henry C. Bunker. Elihu Dunton	
account,	\$36 25
Geo. L. Perry, Frank Dunton	
account,	1 50
Wm. Fernald, Frank Dunton	
account,	6 00
L. H. Wakefield. Frank Dunton	
account,	18 30

Paid S. T. Spurling, Frank Dunton account,	17 00	
S. C. Pendleton, Isaiah Grover account,	43 12	
Fred Floyd, Isaiah Grover ac- count,	210 00	
E. K. Merritt, Isaiah Grover ac- count,	71 70	
C. C. Larrabee, Isaiah Grover ac- count,	24 50	
A. E. Small, Isaiah Grover ac- count,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$430 37
Overdrawn,		<hr/> \$222 96

(Signed)

F. R. BUNKER,	} Overseers of Poor.
JAMES M. GERRISH,	
H. E. TRACY,	

Report of Road Commissioner.

Considerable money having been raised at the last annual meeting, for roads and bridges, not only for the general highway but special appropriation for money to be used on a certain road and bridge, I have taken special care to expend the money as appropriated.

As regards the Newman bridge so called—of which there has been so much contention the past few years, some claiming the

bridge all right, by those who had inspected it. Others said it was not safe for a team to pass over.

To satisfy every individual is something impossible. Therefore after thoroughly investigating the matter I used my best judgment in the office for which I was elected—that of road commissioner, and had the bridge rebuilt using hard pine stringers. The whole cost of the bridge did not exceed \$200 which amount did not overrun the appropriation for general roads and bridges. The amount expended last year exceeded the appropriation on western division by \$26.87.

Raised for general highways and bridges,		\$1,000 00
Expended for material,	\$180 70	
Expended for labor,	781 76	
(Overdraw last year,	26 87	
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Total expenditures,		989 33
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Balance unexpended after rebuilding the bridge,		\$10 67

Lower Harbor Road or Schoodic Street.

Money raised,		\$700 00
Expended for material,	\$ 22 55	
Expended for labor,	671 14	
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		693 69
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Balance unexpended,		\$6 31
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Lower Harbor or Schoodic street bridge,		\$300 00
Expended for material,	\$150 93	
Expended for labor,	58 87	
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		.209 80
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Balance unexpended,		\$96 20

Sidewalks.

Money raised,		\$300 00
Balance unexpended last year,		8 35
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		\$308 35
Expended for material,	\$71 18	
Expended for labor,	72 91	
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		144 09
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Balance unexpended,		\$164 26

Respectfully submitted,

FRED V. JOY, Road Commissioner.

Treasurer's Report.

C. E. PENDLETON, Treasurer,

DR.

To balance in treasury Feb. 15, 1898,	\$276 17
received of J. W. Wescott, dog li-	
cense,	10 00
received of State, 1897, returned	
dog tax,	10 46
received of State, school fund and	
mill tax,	395 51
received for buckboard licenses,	14 00
received from B. F. Leighton, ped-	
dler's license,	3 00

To received from Frank Rolf, peddler's license,	3 00	
received from Fred Ash, peddler's license,	3 00	
received from Asa Stevens, ped- dler's license,	3 00	
received from Follett Gerrish, ped- dler's license, .	3 00	
collected on land sold in 1895,	99 87	
collected on 1897 taxes,	452 45	
collected on 1898 taxes,	4,526 35	
	<hr/>	\$5,799 81

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By County tax,	\$ 332 88	
State tax,	646 79	
dog tax,	10 00	
orders paid,	4,710 11	
	<hr/>	\$5,699 78
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Balance in treasury Feb. 15. 1899,		\$100 03

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. PENDLETON, Treasurer.

Fourth Annual Report
of the
Superintendent of Schools
for the
Year Ending February 15th, 1899.

School Board.

Chas. H. Bickford,
 Geo. T. Childs,
 Jesse Smallidge.

At the first meeting of the above committee it was decided by lot according to the provisions of the school law that Mr. Bickford should serve for one year, Mr. Childs for two years, and Mr. Smallidge for three years. Consequently Mr. Bickford's term expires in March of the present year, and a successor must be elected to serve three years.

I desire to thank the members of the committee for their kindness and assistance during the year past.

School Finances.

Amount raised for support of common schools.	\$402 40
Balance unexpended last year,	1 97
School fund and mill tax,	395 51
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Total,	\$799 88

BILLS APPROVED.

Paid for teaching,	\$552 00	
wood and manufacture of same,	33 75	
janitors' services,	38 00	
school supplies,	17 74	
teachers' board,	28 00	
transportation of scholars,	20 00	
Gouldsboro for tuition,	53 13	
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Total expenditures,		\$742 62
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Balance unexpended,		\$57 26

School Property.

Amount raised by town,	\$200 00
Balance unexpended last year,	12 33
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Total,	\$212 33

EXPENDITURES.

Paid H. E. Harrington, labor,	\$ 7 93
C. T. Hooper, fixtures,	5 36
Irving Sumner, labor,	6 70
Augustus Workman, labor,	5 12
Wellington Pendleton, labor,	4 00
Geo. T. Childs, labor and material,	38 19
Mary Joy, cleaning,	10 60
Albert Farrar, labor,	5 12
Jesse Smallidge, labor,	5 50
Jesse Smallidge, material,	3 25
Ira N. Workman, labor,	16 00
R. Rand,	59 51

Paid F. R. Bunker, material,	3 76
J. E. Bickford, labor,	2 00
H. G. Smallidge, material,	12 15

Total expenditures,

\$185 19

Unexpended,

\$27 14

School Books and Appliances.

Amount raised,

\$100 00

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Maynard, Merrill & Co., books,	\$ 9 60
Ginn & Co., books,	32 80
Thompson, Brown & Co.,	12 34
Ernest Rice, expense,	3 15
W. F. Bruce, Treasurer, Gouldsboro, for books furnished scholars of Win- ter Harbor attending schools in Goulds- boro from 1895,	26 00
D. L. Heath & Co., books,	10 44
American Book Co., books,	7 76
J. W. Bunker, chairs,	2 55
Thomas Shewell & Co., books,	2 97
Jesse Smallidge, freight on books,	2 00

\$109 61

Overdrawn,

\$9 61

High School Fund 1897-98.

Amount raised by town,	\$150 00
Balance from 1896-97,	41 74
Estimated amount due from State,	90 00
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	\$281 74

EXPENSES.

Paid Stanley Burrill, teaching,	\$180 00	
C. A. Surry, janitor,	18 25	
H. G. Smallidge, for wood,	17 00	
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Total expenditures,		\$215 25
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Unexpended,		\$66 49

High School Fund for 1898-99.

Amount raised by town,	\$150 00
Balance from 1897-98,	66 49
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Amount that will be due from State will depend upon length and cost of present term.

PAID OUT TO DATE.

Jesse Smallidge, miscellaneous,	\$ 7 00
Sarah Abbott, teaching one week,	15 00
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Total,	\$22 00

At the meeting of the school committee soon after the last annual election, it was decided that the committee have the custody and care of the school houses and superintend author-

ized repairs. You are respectfully referred to their report for information in regard to the janitorship and improvements upon school buildings and property.

Lower Harbor and Mark Island.

During the year schools have been supported at Lower Harbor and on Mark Island. If the town desires to continue the schools at the above places it will be necessary to pass a special vote to that effect.

Winter Harbor High School.

The winter term of high school began January 16, to continue ten weeks. The school commenced under the principalship of Mrs. Sara S. Abbott, but owing to the illness of Mrs. Abbott school was closed after one week. Teacher and pupils both regret that Mrs. Abbott was unable to continue the school as a great deal of interest was manifested in the work. After one week the school began again with the Rev. Mr. Morse as principal. Under his guidance the pupils are doing good work and the term promises to be a very successful one.

Referring to the high school fund due from the state for one half of expenditures in 1897-1898, I think I can assure the town through a letter received under date of December 31, 1898, from State Superintendent Stetson, enclosing returns for year ending June 1, 1898, in which he said "You can fill and return and all will be right when council meets next time," which I did,—that it will be received as soon as the general appropriation bill passes the legislature to enable the Governor and Council to draw their warrant on the State Treasurer for this payment, as well as many others due from the State pending the passage of that bill.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST RICE.

Port of Winter Harbor, Maine.

Harbor Master's Report.

Number of permits issued to all kinds of craft for mooring purposes is as follows: Steamboats, 2; steam yacht, 1; schooners, 2; sloop yachts, 6; boats, 17. Total, 28; cars, 5. Whole number, 33.

JAMES M. GERRISH,

Harbor Master.

Auditor's Report.

Having made an examination of the original accounts as contained in the foregoing reports, more especially those of the selectmen and treasurer, I beg leave to report that I find them properly kept, with just vouchers for all orders drawn and paid.

All bills for the current year, so far as known to date, have been presented, orders drawn and fully paid.

The financial condition of the town as shown by the treasurer's report and statement of resources and liabilities is very commendable. The resources, being \$843.95 less about \$165 due the high school fund, \$678.95 net resources over and above liabilities assessed which appears, will be sufficient to offset the balance of uncollected taxes at the close of each year and have a balance on hand for current expenses.

Two hundred of the principal which fell due last year and all interest due to date, of the sum of \$1000.00 hired on payments of \$200.00 per year for 1 to 5 years, at 5 per cent. pursuant to the vote of the annual meeting, 1896, to settle our proportion of the indebtedness of Gouldsboro, at the time of division, as awarded by the referees, has been paid, leaving \$800, the only outstanding liability for future assessment.

Respectfully submitted,

BEDFORD E. TRACY,

Auditor.